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SUMMARY

With support from the Africa Bureau NGO Networks, conducted the documentation of Nigerian women's networks, which had integrated different aspects of FP/RH into their activities. The dissemination of the report provided the basis for Advance Africa to hold a follow up workshop with the representatives of the networks, Bi-lateral donors, USAID, and the public sector.

The workshop provided a forum for major stakeholders to identify potential constraints and possibilities for effective integration of RH/RR into women's networks. The follow on workshop by Advance Africa examined the following:

- What are the major competencies needed to develop the capacity of women's networks to integrate RH into their networks?
- How can health networks support non-health women's networks achieve their objectives?
- What new challenges does the HIV/AIDS epidemic pose to women's networks?
- How can women's networks make their activities more effective in meeting Adolescent reproductive health needs?

To achieve these objectives, the workshop identified and reached consensus among participants on major categories of types of women's networks and RH components. Working group sessions were organized based on the classification of networks to answer and provide feedback on a list of questions prepared by Advance Africa to serve as a guide for discussion. The perspectives of each

group was represented and reported to the plenary. Issues critical in building competencies to help women's networks identify critical gaps in building capacity and providing the necessary support in those areas were recorded.

Themes such as networking strategies, monitoring and evaluation for collaborative projects and advocacy strategies for networking with state agencies were identified as the common issues that all the networks wanted to benefit from. The need to link women's professional health associations with those willing to integrate RH programs, closer coordination and collaboration among the different networks and how to address the impact of HIV/AIDS was a major focus of the discussions. The strategies identified by women's networks are directly related to their own potential, which they understand based on the particular and dominant activities they engage in. The different strategies that were used by the networks reflect their need to respond to their organizational base. Participants also discussed selection of networks for donor funding and transparency in resource allocation.

For Advance Africa, the workshop provides a rich source of information for building its strategic mapping tools and methodologies on how to increase stakeholder participation among non-traditional health networks. Secondly, based on this workshop Advance is in the process of identifying networks that it hopes to either integrate or strengthen service delivery capacity for improving quality and access to RH within the context of HIV/AIDS. The evaluation of the workshop by the participants is also included in the appendix and demonstrates that the approach in using women's networks is indeed one that has great potential.

OBJECTIVES

The Advance Africa Module Development Workshop was held at the Comfort Royale Hotel in Abuja, Nigeria on Wednesday 19th September 2001. A total of 53 participants representing women's networks, donors, Ministry of Health Representatives USAID and other bilateral attended this workshop. The attendance list is attached as Appendix I.

The overall objectives of the Workshop were as follows:

- To identify best practices gain a better understanding of how to integrate reproductive health activities into non-reproductive health NGOs
- To identify the constraints and limitations faced by NGOs and NGO networks when trying to introduce RH activities
- To identify needs and requirements of NGOs and NGO networks for the integration of RH into their activities
- To come up with best practices and a better understanding of how to incorporate HIV/AIDS activities into the activities of different types of NGOs and Networks

 To develop models and identify strategies which constitute as the critical components of initiating a module for integrating FP/RH into women's networks

BACKGROUND

The Advance African Workshop with representatives of women's networks in Nigeria is a preliminary step towards improving the capacity of women's to increase access and quality of reproductive health and information. The regional, ethnic, cultural and religious complexity of Nigeria and the groups that have evolved out of this environment provides a wide array of approaches and strategies, Advance Africa hopes that this will be useful as best practices for adaptation for the rest of Africa. In the context of the HIV/AIDS epidemic and the alarming rates of infection among youth, women's networks have also incorporated these issues as part of their FP/RH agenda.

The documentation of women's networks in Nigeria by NGO Networks for Health and the Dissemination Workshop conducted provides an excellent opportunity to start the process of analysis of this process. In consultation with the mission and in partnership with NGO networks, Advance Africa took the opportunity to continue the dissemination of the document by conducting and one day workshop. The dissemination of the document that was prepared by NGO networks was a synthesis of four regional reports and three thematic sections: demographic, gender and RH, and democracy and governance. The two day dissemination workshop did not address all these themes in great deal accordingly participants were especially happy to have a follow on workshop to discuss the gender and RH aspects of their activities. The Advance Africa workshop was intended to start examining the process of integration of FP/RH in the context of HIV/Aids in the activities of women's groups with the major stakeholders.

ACTIVITIES

The workshop was participatory and was organized to get maximum input from all participants. To facilitate the discussion and identify models to work different categories for the networks were first established. The second part of the discussion was to define the various aspects of reproductive health and identify those, which the workshop will focus on. The third activity consisted of working group discussions on the classifications that were agreed upon using a set of questions as guidelines for identifying strategies and approaches. Details on each set of activities follow.

Activity I. The first challenge of the workshop was to try to establish a framework for participants to develop models of integration given the different perspectives and activities of the women's networks that were represented in the workshop. A significant number of representatives of NGOs resisted classifying their organization as one specific type of association. Participants debated where their organizations fit since most networks have multiple objectives and activities. Finally it was agreed that their classification should be based on the dominant activity of the network at the time of formation. At the end of this session participants agreed that their organizations could be classified as a specific sub-type of network.

- 1. Faith based organizations
- 2. Women's interest organizations
- 3. Economic empowerment organizations
- 4. Health organizations
- 5. Research organizations
- 6. Women's Rights Organizations

ACTIVITY II

The next activity related to understanding the different components of RH. NGO Networks documentation showed the range of reproductive and family planning activities conducted by networks ranged from BCC to delivery of clinic based family planning activities. Thus it was necessary for all participants to come to a consensus on what constitutes FP/RH activities. Two Senior Officials from the Federal Ministry of Health (FMOH) conducted this session to help participants place RH/FP within a context of Nigerian health policy. Eleven components of Reproductive Health are recommended by the World Health Organization. The Federal Government of Nigeria has accepted eight of the eleven as comprising of RH.1 While the participants reached a consensus to discuss 8 of the components, reproductive cancers gender issues, and infertility were omitted from the discussion.

Activity III. The Integration RH/RR Group work Session

The working group session focused on selecting models, strategies and components that could be used to develop a manual on integrating RH into non-RH networks and HIV/AIDS into non-HIV/AIDS focused networks. The working groups discussed the challenges of non-health NGOs working in reproductive health and strategies of integrating RH into non-health NGOs and HIV/AIDS into both health and non-health NGOs in regard to the following questions.

- 1. What are the potential benefits in integrating FP/RH activities in women's network activities?
- 2. How do you measure those benefits?

¹ WHO Recommended Components are the following: (1) Safe motherhood; (2) HIV/AIDS/STI;

⁽³⁾ Family Planning; (4) Adolescent sexual and RH problems; (5) Elimination of HTP (e.g. VVF);

⁽⁶⁾ Gender Issues; (7) Reproductive Cancers; (8) Male involvement in RH; (9) Reproductive rights; (10) Infertility; and (11) Post Abortion care.

- 3. What are the different ways through which this integration can take place? (This will look at the different types of networks through case studies which will be developed by the networks)
- 4. What are the constraints that women's networks have faced in integrating FP/RH in their activities?
- 5. What recommendations and suggestions can be made regarding integration of FP/RH activities in women's networks?
- 6. Donor perspectives and experience in funding such initiatives?
- 7. How new challenges are being brought to fore because of the HIV/Aids epidemic and the increase in adolescent sexual activity?

FINDINGS

The workshop brought out critical issues, which need to be addressed if women's networks are to reach the potential they have in improving their own lives as well as those of their communities. The gender and reproductive rights focus of the reproductive health agenda has indeed helped the inclusion of women's networks and groups as central players in the field. However with these new role women's network were given responsibilities, which require a new set of competencies and expertise. Commitment to improving women's lives through collective action can be a powerful factor in ensuring success. However, integration of reproductive health activities in non-health settings requires capacity, skills and resources that are not readily available for various reasons. Perhaps one of the serious misconceptions that have plagued gender-based activities is the assumption that commitment, volunteerism and goodwill will somehow compensate for investments in technical capacity building, human resource mobilization and retention and supervision to maintain quality which is required by other "health related activities"

The results of the working group are summarized in the following two tables. The first table looks at the Strengths, Obstacles, Strategies, and challenges that women's networks face in integrating FP/RH. The second table identifies key steps, competencies, linkages and donor perspectives in building capacity of women's networks to improve their effectiveness. Considering the brevity of the workshop, a great deal was accomplished due to the extensive background preparations that were completed prior to the meeting, the excellent facilitation, organization skills of the local consultant, and the background discussions that had already prepared the ground for a more indepth analysis of specific models and strategies

Table 1: Strengths, Challenges and Strategies for Success

| | | Discussio | on Topics | |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Type of Organization | Strengths | Obstacles/ Constraints | Strategies for Integration | HIV/AIDS Challenges/ Responses |
| Faith Based | Support of traditional leaders Credible and Respected, with a broad reach Often have infrastructures available for service delivery; Ability to advocate, among large populations Sustainable | Power of religious leaders to resist FP/RH activities Religious interpretation of doctrine male dominated Dominated by male religious leaders | Mainstream separate RH programs into one Program community funded rather than foreign funded when possible Integrate RH programs gradually to gain acceptance | Religious groups are 'preaching the word of hope' instead of damnation, Learning/ teaching about health issues in a scientific way Many (Christian groups in particular) are mandating HIV- testing before marriage. |
| Women's Interest | Wide coverage with many women members Composed of many levels with reaches to the local government. | Funding constraints Language barrier, Poor accountability, Leadership problems, Loss of identity, Subject to political abuse | Funding for RH programs should be equal to that of other programs Easier for Networks proclaiming women's interest to collaborate with MOH or health NGOs | Women must remember their children and become involved, Adoles cent programs are being developed and require support |
| Economic Empowerment | Financial autonomy from husbands Resources to access health care also (RH) Ability to make autonomous decisions Self – reliant, innovative, flexible | Management/Admini strative /problems Corruption, poor documentation, Inadequate skills and capacities | Require those participating in economic programs to pay for RH services which are being integrated for sustainability | Condoms are being sold in the market for wider access Women are even selling condoms. |

| Health | Have better opportunity to increase male involvement Professional touch i.e. skills and expertise Linkage with public sector stronger therefore government support Engage in pilot activities | Not interested in other programs Do not traditionally reach out to other women's groups, Resistant to non-professionals working in health activities | Health networks do not have much experience with integration. | Health NGOs have to consider the role of traditional medicine |
|----------------|--|--|---|---|
| Research | They view women's issues as gender issues. These are knowledgeable groups, Tend to be autonomous-Issue driven, Capable of networking with a wide spectrum of group | No confidence in research, Expensive organizations to run, Donor driven They follow the money | Health and non-health researchers on research team | Search on the cultural factors driving the epidemic |
| Women's Rights | Advocacy and legislative skills, Better educated and skilled in writing proposals Network more effectively with international and local organizations | Lack of funding, militancy, activism | Use of the media | Greater interest in inheritance rights |

Table 2: Key Steps, Competencies, Linkages and Donor Perspectives

| Type of Organization | | Discuss | sion Topics | |
|-------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| <i></i> • | Key Steps for Introduction of Programs | Key Competencies | Linkages | Donor Perspective for Capacity Building |
| Faith Based | Preparing the ground, advocacy of potential opposition stakeholders | Advocacy competencies | A forum created for experience sharing | Perspectives should be flexible, not standard and should be culturally sensitive |
| Women's Interest | Create awareness with women beneficiaries, Coalition building, Exchange visits Use of affiliate groups | Health professionals as members | Meetings | -Advocacy training Donor support for capacity building for integration |
| Economic Empowerment | Fund raising | Better understanding of: health problems, training of Primary Health Educators Work more effectively with men and community leaders as to promote women's health. | Networking meeting or donor forums | Training is needed Support for meetings |
| Health | The usual steps are followed for RH, since it is part of the health network. It is easier for health networks to carry out RH. Provide information professionally | Gender and social science training | Professional meetings | Donors need to provide new information about RH/RR issues |
| Research | Needs assessment and information dissemination | Gender training | Dissemination workshops | Support for research before programming |

| Women's Rights | Rapid response to | Legal knowledge and | Debates in the media | We need more |
|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | problems, | interest in other | | information about |
| | sometimes no steps | aspects of women's | | international rights |
| | followed | problems | | cases |
| | | | | |

FOLLOW-UP/NEXT STEPS

Given the basic foundation that has been built through this workshop, Advance Africa envisions the process to include the following outcomes:

- (1) The information from this workshop will provide the basis for developing guidelines on ways to promote integration of FP/RH into women's networks, strengthening existing integration activities, and building competencies and partnerships with women's networks. Advance Africa will utilize results of the findings of the workshop to develop strategic mapping tools as part of the strategic mapping exercises that is in the process of being developed.
- (2) In collaboration with CAFS, which has a strong gender-training program, Advance Africa will develop guidelines and kits can be used to help in identifying the different issues that women's networks face and the recommendations that will be made in addressing these constraints.
- (3) Advance Africa will select two to three networks in Nigeria and develop a plan of action to integrate FP/RH in the context of HIV/AIDS epidemic. The process of integration will include identifying the strengths and weakness of the networks and designing of interventions to address these gaps. As part of this process Advance Africa will develop case studies, which will inform other, groups who are interested in replicated this process.

Appendix I: List of Participants and Organizations Represented

| S/N | NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE | STATE REPRESENTED | ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED |
|-----|---------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| 1 | MRS F.N.E.D.E SOUZA | NATIONAL | WOMEN'S HEALTH ORGANISATION OF NIGERIA |
| 2 | MISS MERCY STEPHEN | NATIONAL | NURSING & MIDWIFERY COUNCIL OF NIG. |
| 3 | CHIEF (MRS) BEMICE A. KOLADE | OSUN STATE | WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT MOVEMENT |
| 4 | GRACE E. DELANA | A. OYO STATE | ASSOCIATION FOR REPRODUCTIVE AND FAMILY HEALTH, IBADAN |
| 5 | MRS DINATU OTHMA | NATIONAL | NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN SOCIETIES, ABUJA |
| 6 | MRS G. O OKUEKE | IMO STATE | WOMEN'S HEALTH DEPT. MINISTRY OF HEALTH. |
| 7 | MR AKIN ALOBA | LAGOS STATE | AWOSDA LAGOS |
| 8 | DR CHARITY VSIFOH | LAGOS STATE | COALITION OF NIGERIAN NGOs ON HEALTH, POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT |
| 9 | CLARA TYOSAR | PLATEAU STATE | INTER-GENDER, JOS |
| 10 | SALOME C. DASHE | PLATE AU STATE | NATIONAL COUNCIL OF |

| | | | WOMEN SOCIETIES, PLATEAU BRANCH |
|----|----------------------------|---------------|--|
| 11 | SHERIFAH TALEAT ABAYOMI | OYO STATE | RESOURCE PERSON/ COUNTRY WOMEN ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA |
| 12 | DEREX BRIGGS IZEOUWA | NATIONAL / | RESOURCE PERSON (F.M.O.H.) (N.A.S.C.P.) |
| 13 | DR ODEKU | NATIONAL | FMOH- RH |
| 14 | BEN C. N. WOBI | | NASCP-FMOH ABUJA |
| 15 | OLUSINA FALANA | NATIONAL | FAMILY HEALTH INCORPORATED, NIGERIA/ USAID |
| 16 | EKWUGHA EDITH (MRS) | PORT HARCOURT | THE ADOLESCENT PROJECT |
| 17 | JESSICA VANKAT | PLATEAU STATE | COUNTRY WOMEN ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA JOS |
| 18 | JAMILA IBRAHIM YAHAYA | NATIONAL | MUSLIM SISTER ORGANIZATION |
| 19 | NNUKA NDIOMU | NATIONAL | CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT AND POPULATION ACTIVITIES - USAID NIGERIA |
| 20 | CIYARTA D. POSI (MRS) | PLATEAU STATE | CHURCH OF CHRISTIAN NIGERIA WOMEN, JOS |
| 21 | HAJI SA'ADATU MUSA | KANO STATE | GRASSROOTS HEALTH ORGANIZATION OF |

| | | | NIGERIA |
|----|---------------------|-------------|--|
| 22 | MAD UBA HELEN ADAKU | NATIONAL | CISGHAN STOP AIDS |
| 23 | KHADIJAH I. | KANO STATE | ADOLESCENT HEALTH INFORMATION PROJECT |
| 24 | AISHA SULEMAN | NATIONAL | NIGERIA ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN'S JOURNALISTS |
| 25 | HELEN R. JAMMAL | BAUCHI | WOMEN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM |
| 26 | MS NIMI THOM- MANUR | NIGERIA | NATIONAL COUNCILS OF WOMEN'S SOCIETIES |
| 27 | VICKI ADUDU | LAGOS | SOCIETY FOR WOMEN AND AIDS IN AFRICA, NIGERIA |
| 28 | HAJIYA BILKISU | NATIONAL | FEDERATION OF MUSLIM WOMEN ASSOCIATION |
| 29 | JANE OSAGIE | EDO- STATE | INTERNATIONAL REPRODUCTIVE RIGHT RESEARCH ACTION GROUP. |
| 30 | JOY OGBAZI | ENUGU STATE | WOMEN AID COLLECTIVE |
| 31 | MODUPE OGINNI | OYO STATE | COMMUNITY WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT IBADAN |

| 32 | PALIENCE NYONG | OWERRI | WOMEN IN AID AND DEVELOPMENT |
|----|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 33 | ELIZABETH PACHECO | LAGOS STATE | HSC/FEDERATION OF FEMALE NURSES AND MIDWIFE |
| 34 | CHIEF (MRS) BISI OGUNLEYE | NATIONAL- ONDO STATE | COUNTRY WOMEN ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA |
| 35 | OKEKELU CHINEDU | ANAMBRA STATE | WOMEN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CENTER. |
| 36 | DR J.C. OKEBUNOR | SOUTH EAST | CONSULTANT- UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA NSUKKA [SOUTHEAST CONSULTANT] |
| 37 | EGWU, SAM G | MIDDLE BELT | CONSULTANT UNIVERSITY OF JOS [MIDDLE BELT CONSULTANT] |
| 38 | SOPHUE B OLUWOLE | SOUTH WEST | RESOURCE PERSON UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS |
| 39 | C. OHIRI ANICHE | SOUTH WEST | RESOURCE PERSON UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS |
| 40 | SADE TAIWO | SOUTH WEST | CENTER FOR ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AND ACTION [SOUTH WEST CONSULTANT] |
| 41 | DENNIS ITYARYAR | MIDDLE BELT | RESOURCE PERSON |

| | | | UNIVERSITY OF JOS/INTER GENDER JOS |
|----|------------------------------|-------------|--|
| 42 | MRS TITILAYO AJAMAKU | NATIONAL | REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PRESIDENT AND WOMEN AFFAIRS |
| 43 | OYEBOLA FOYINSOLA | NATIONAL | USAID METRO PLAZA, ABUJA |
| 44 | AMIESIMAKA F. A (MRS) | NATIONAL | INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS |
| 45 | DR ODEKU MOJISOLA | LAGOS STATE | RH/CDPA (FMOH) |
| 46 | DR OSUBORE MATTHINS KASIM | | PATHFINDER, INTERNATIONAL USAID |
| 47 | MRS CHARITY IBEAWUCHI | NATIONAL | POLICY PROJECT NIGERIA |
| 48 | MRS JOSHUA A. EMMANUEL | NATIONAL | UNIFEM, |
| 49 | MODIBBO A. A FATIMI | KANO | MUSLIM SISTERS ORGANSATION |
| 50 | AMINA SAMBO | | GHON |
| 51 | LIZ AKINBULUMO | NATIONAL | IRC/PAS AMERICA EMBASSY |
| 52 | TOYIN OYEBOLA | ABUJA | USAID- NIGERIA |
| 53 | DR YAHAYA HASHIM | KANO | NORTHERN CONSULTANT - dRPC |

Appendix II: Evaluation of Workshop by Participants

| S/N | Name of Organisation | How long with Organisation | Ever attended Work- shop | Sex | Importance of Developing Manual | Importance of Integrating HIV/AIDS with health NGO |
|-----|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|---|---|
| 1 | COWAN-National Akure | 19 Years | Yes | F | Very necessary | It is necessary |
| 2 | IRRRAG-Nigeria | 8 Years | Yes | F | It is good and Important | It is a good idea to integrate it into health NGOS |
| 3 | WOMEN'S AID Collective (WACOL) | 4 Years | Yes | F | Very Important | Very Important |
| 4 | CEDPA - USAID | 41/2 Years | No | F | To enable NGOs integrate RH into the activities | To stem the spread of the disease |
| 5 | NCWS | 21 Years | No | F | It gives the guidelines on how to go about the organisation | Because of its prevalence nature in the country |
| 6 | Nursing & Midwifery council of Nigeria | 6 Months | No | F | The Idea is okay | Good Idea |
| 7 | NCWS Plateau | 10 Years | No | F | Great | Very Important |
| 8 | Resource person | 5 Years | Yes | F | It will helps the NGOs to be move focus | It enables the health organization to disseminate useful information for greater impact and maximum |
| 9 | HSC/FENAM | 8 Years | Yes | F | Very necessary | Importance as it is part really part of RH |
| 10 | FMOH | 12 Years | Yes | F | Manual not really developed | Very Important |
| 11 | FOMWAW | 16 Years | Yes | F | Very necessary | Very important because it is a pandemic that spares no one |
| 12 | NASCP, Dept Pub. Health FMOH Abuja | 23 Years | No | M | Absolute Necessity | Mandatory need / requirement |

| 13 | ARFH | 12 Years | Yes | F | Very important considering high MMR in Nig the HIV/AID Part | Very important as the NGOs are very reliable, flexible, accepted and reached out to complement govt. efforts |
|----|--|----------|-----|---|--|--|
| | Grass Root Women for sustainable Devt in Africa (GWASAA) | | Yes | F | Very important | It is a social necessity |
| 15 | NAWOJ, NATIONAL | 10 Years | Yes | F | To make more women NGOs pursue their cause serious | It will go a long way in highlighting the danger of it. |
| | National Council of Woman's Societies Abuja Nig. | 20 Years | Yes | F | A very welcome Idea | It will improve the living standard of the society especially women |
| 17 | SWAAN | 10 Years | Yes | F | as it will serve as a | It very important because it will enable NGOs to reach more people to prevent the spread of this deadly disease that is spreading fast |
| | The Adolescent Project (TAP) Nigeria | 6 Years | Yes | F | It is inevitable, some NGOs will appreciate to be doing it | It is important Health institutions can not do it alone |
| 19 | COCIN - IRH | 15 Years | Yes | M | It is inevitable, as some NGOs will be going into it new. | It is relevant Health institutions can not do it alone |
| | Onji Women Organisation (Onji WIHV) | 20 Years | Yes | F | Extra important as RH is a pressing need for every women/men/children | As important as integrating R/H into other activities of NGO not an it already |
| | Women and Development Movement (WADEM) | 10 Years | Yes | F | It is a right step to meet the need of our people | It is very necessary because of the rate HIV/AIDS is spreading |
| | Women Health Organisation of Nigeria (WHON) & | 10 Years | No | F | Very important it serves as a guide for models | Important it's a pandemic that requires all round action |

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| 23 | Inter-Gender Jos | 5 Years | Yes | F | It is a very good initiative | It is an excellent idea because the two have to go in pari parsu |
| | Nursing & Midwifery Council of Nigeria | 5 Years | Yes | F | It is a welcome idea - woman deserve the best | It is high time it happens because of the grass root connection |
| | Muslim Sisters organisation of Nigeria | 7 Years | Yes | F | Okay will help in the understanding of the projects | Fine-as long as NGO are not tailored to do the same |
| 26 | Inter-Gender Jos | 5 Years | Yes | M | Good Idea | Good Idea |
| | Rahama Women Development Bauchi | 5 Years | Yes | F | Carry along weak ones (Identify & Encourage) | Good Idea |
| | Adolescent Health & Information Projects (AHIP) | 33 Months | No | F | Highly Needed | The most important and required step yet |
| 29 | COWAN, JOS | 11 Years | Yes | F | It is really very important | HIV/AIDS activities should be integrated not only in health but in all other activities |

Part II Evaluation

| S/N | Importance of Integrating HIV/AIDS with non health NGO | The group manual beneficiary | Rating of advance Africa Workshop | What you learn/gain in the Workshop |
|-----|--|---|---|--|
| 1 | It is necessary | COWAN, FADU, NARWA, LAPO, WHEEI etc. | Very successful | A lot |
| 2 | HIV/AIDS is more than a health problem | All groups working on Women's reproductive health / rights. | It was fruitful | That any NGO no matter its focus can work in any area |
| 3 | Very Important | NGOS, GOVT., Donor agencies | Very Good | Yes |
| 4 | To stem the spread of the disease | All NGOs | Good | Yes |
| 5 | Every body in the country | Every NGO | A new dimension | Yes |
| 6 | | RH and Non RH | | A lot of thing |
| 7 | Good initiative | All groups involve | Excellent | Yes and a lot |
| 8 | It will enable the information to reach a under audience | All the groups | Best | Yes |
| 9 | This will be very useful | | Excellent | So many that I feel I know nothing before I participated in the workshop |
| 10 | Very Important | Every body healer and non healer | Excellence | Plenty |
| 11 | It will broaden outreach | Health involved focused NGOs etc | Has a knack for being in the right place RH | Yes |
| 12 | Cross-cutting need | All that can apply / Adapt it | Fair | Need to scale-up approaches by actual participation |

| 13 | Very important as the NGOS are very reliable, flexible, accepted and reached out to complement govt. efforts | Every group | Very high | Yes, steps to follow in carrying out integration of RH project, strength and weaknesses of various categories of percentage |
|----|--|--|---|---|
| 14 | It cannot be avoided | All NGOS in Nigeria the ministers researchers | Good | Yes |
| 15 | More people will fight the scourge | All group committed to women issues | Excellent | Developing modules |
| 16 | It will be a welcome idea, in order to change lives | Order to change lives, Nat. Council of Women's Societies | Timely | Yes networking motivation |
| 17 | NGOs working on Health & non-health issues sponsors, ministry of health more coverage networking. | More coverage networking disease that is spread fast | A | Yes from sharing experience from other working on reproductive & non reproductive issues about integration and collaboration of efforts to have more impact |
| 18 | Greater coverage is ensured | All the groups that don't have the experience | Very good | The concept of integration of rendering services |
| 19 | Greater Coverage is ensured | All the groups that don't have the experience | Very good | Concept of integration of services |
| 20 | Other activities will be boosted and more meaningful | All groups but more especially the faith foundation group | Very motivating | Much |
| 21 | If they will employ professional its will be good | All groups | Excellent | Much |
| 22 | Equally important | All Groups | Fair I understand the obstacles they faced. | Yes |

| 23 | It is nice people get informed | Stake holders policy makes adolescents | Excellent | Yes Legitimazers / Gate keepers |
|----|---|---|------------------------|---|
| 24 | It is proper awareness will be more | The non - health NGOs | It's a beautiful start | Many things networking, integration and communication and most importantly, its maturity and high sense of humanity displayed by Judith walker- she is my mentor. |
| 25 | Fine also if peopled values are protected | All groups who are interested in Networking | Has high potentials | A lot on Networking |
| 26 | Good Idea | RH and Non-RH NGOS | | A lot of things |
| 27 | Excellent view | R/H, Education group | Very Good | Yes, many things learnt |
| 28 | The most important and required step yet | All the groups enumerated during this workshop | Very Good | A lot |
| 29 | It should be a must | All groups | Very interesting | Very much and still need to learn more. |